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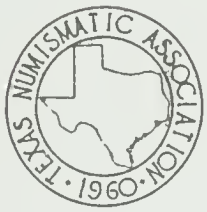

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

E. H. BROOKS
President

I would like to thank the San Angelo Coin Club for the breakfast they gave honoring the T.N.A. officers at their recent coin show. This is the second year that they have complimented us in this manner. I appreciate the opportunity to be a part of this annual show and again get to be with so many T.N.A. members and officers for a short time. I am egotistical enough to feel that they are especially honoring Mrs. Casey and I by having this breakfast and it makes me feel proud of the fact that I am a T.N.A. officer. San Angelo always puts on a good coin show as all who attend will admit.

Our junior T.N.A. program this year, under the leadership of Mrs. Chris Johns, is a contest on exhibiting. Have all T.N.A. Clubs reported your exhibits scores on your junior exhibitors? If not you should do so. Mrs. Johns must have this information by December 31, 1964 in order for your junior to receive credit. Send your exhibit records to: Mrs. Chris Johns, 1412 Westheimer, Houston, Texas 77006.

This will be my last call for qualified candidates for the annual **T.N.A. LEWIS REAGAN MEMORIAL AWARD.** The candidate for this award must be a T.N.A. member in good standing and one who has rendered an outstanding service to help promote numismatics in Texas during 1964. I know we have many members who are eligible for this award and you as members may submit their names to Mrs. Casey, T.N.A. Secretary along with your reason for thinking they deserve this award. You must submit your candidate's name before December 31, 1964. Don't neglect this important item.

I wonder how many of you are using our T.N.A. MEMORIAL LIBRARY? We have quite a number of fine books available and they are yours to use for the asking. Write Mrs. Casey for the list of books available for your use, if you do not have one. Any T.N.A. member or club may request the books of their choice at any time. Mr. Eads, T.N.A. Librarian, will be glad to serve you.

May each home be blessed with Peace and Happiness on Thanksgiving Day — 1964

from the official T.N.A. family

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CANADA'S PROOF-LIKE COIN SETS

The Royal Canadian Mint in Ottawa, Ontario issues each year for the collector, uncirculated or proof-like sets of coins. The set consists of one cent, five, ten, twenty-five and fifty cents, and one dollar. Orders for one, three or five sets only will be accepted for 1965 after January 1. Single specimens of the silver dollar will not be available for 1965.

The cost of each set of $4.00 in Canadian funds and each order must be accompanied by an International money order, bank draft or certified check made payable to the Receiver General of Canada with a mailing address of Coins Uncirculated, P.O. Box 470, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada.

Orders for 1964 sets are no longer being accepted at the mint.

BANGS!

By Hirsh Schwartz,
Schulenberg, Texas

Suppose a person told you to go to "Bangs." Would you become angry or would you go North, East, West or South? Furthermore, why should anyone tell you to go to Bangs?"

Well, perhaps you didn't know it, but there is probably more numismatic information stored up at Bangs (incidentally it is in Texas) than in any place in Texas. What! You still don't know where it is? Well, it is 10 miles west of Brownwood on United States Highway 67 and 84.

Why is there so much numismatic information there? It is the home of your Texas Numismatic Association Memorial Library. If you need to do researching on any particular coin drop John P. Eads, Jr., Box 218, Bangs, Texas, a line and he will send you the book or pamphlet containing the same.

Eads, Louis Goodwin and the writer make up the T.N.A. Library committee and we will welcome favorable or other comment with regard to your library. Especially so, on how it can be of more service to its members. We have much valuable information and many books which you might simply enjoy reading without seeking information about any particular coin or group of coins.

Also, if you have books on valuable coins or collections, the library would appreciate your donating them, so same would be available to others. Any person or clubs desiring to donate money to the library so we can purchase more books will certainly be welcome to do so.

Use your library and don't forget it is at Bangs, Texas.

Topics Announced For Numismatic Course

V. J. Van Cleave of Richardson, Texas is conducting an informal non-credit course in numismatics at the Dallas College of Southern Methodist University with the hour and a half sessions held each Tuesday.

The course began in September and will continue through November Topics discussed during the first month by Van Cleave were "What To Collect" and included odd and curious money, ancient and old European coinage, and the United States series. A special session was a review of the Spanish pieces of eight and the Maria Theresa thaler.

Scheduled for October were "How to Add to Your Collection" from trading, buying, bid board, auction and convention sales; "Modern Foreign Money, How to Display and Protect Your Collection" including handling, preservation, storage and cleaning. Also the history, care and display of paper money; and sources of information such as clubs and coin shows for "Getting the Most Fun Out of Your Collection."

The November sessions will include "Money Facts and Folklore" with highlights of art, archeology and counterfeiting and "Collecting As An Investment."

Exhibits of coins and currency have been featured during the lectures making the entire course more enjoyable.

L. J. Lindsey Dies

Word has been received of the death of J. Sherwood Lindsey on August 23. Mr. Lindsey was a resident of Houston.

A NUMISMATIC SALUTE TO CANADA – OUR NEIGHBOR TO THE NORTH

Canada – sprawling more than 3,000 miles from one great sea to the other, a hinge between the Old World and the New, a land of forests and mountains, rivers and lakes, prairies and ice - is approaching its 100 years of nationhood. The Dominion of Canada, our friendly neighbor to the North, came into being on July 1, 1867.

Prior to that date, history reveals a battle between France and Great Britian from the time of discovery in 1534 by Jacques of France, until England gained complete control.

The Dominion of Canada, in a national sense, show a result of family planning. The British North American colonies decided to unite under a central government. The "mother" country, Great Britain, with an attitude of good will and some compromise, consented. Mother Queen Victoria was now a godmother.

Unlike the United States, who had the same origin - the British Empire - Canada's independence was a favored one, not heroic. The U. S. seized their destiny from the grasp of the Empire and had to make the best of the situation without a benevolent godmother.

The numismatic history of Canada is entertaining to collectors; its coins are beautifully designed and will enhance the cabinet of any collector; but its interest and popularity has not blossomed fully in our country as has other foreign coinage.

The dual culture - English and French - has had much influence on the coinage of Canada. The tokens seem to provide the story of the early days of Canada more so than the coinage issued by the government. The paper money produced by Canada is picturesque and colorful; and carries two living languages, symbolizing a continued story of its national heritage. The commemorative coins and medals, though very few were issued, represent important events in the history of the country.

The name Canada comes from the Indian word "Kanata" translated to mean village or town. The national emblem is the maple leaf, so prominent on Canadian coins.

Canada offers much to the serious student of foreign coinage for a change in style of collecting; so we salute - numismatically - our Royal northern neighbor.

CANADIAN COAT OF ARMS

(Drawing By Wayne Swails, Weslaco, Texas)

A NUMISMATIC LOOK AT CANADA

By E. H. Brooks,
San Angelo, Texas

Canada, a large country, in fact the largest on the North American continent, has used many different mediums of exchange.

In Canada's earliest days the money of the Indians - wampum - was used. This was followed by the use of "card money" which were promissory notes written on the back of playing cards. These were given as emergency and substitute payents to soldiers in the meager army of the time.

Silver and copper coins were struck by Louis XIV (1643-1715) of France for his American colonies and widely used in Canada. During the early 18th century the beaver skin was used extensively as the unit of trade. This medium was used most by the Hudson Bay Company which sold items to the natives, i. e. - guns for twenty beaver skins, a blanket for ten skins and an axe for three skins.

Many varieties of tokens were pressed into commercial use during the last of the 18th century, and at one time it was estimated that 585 different tokens were circulating in Canada. These tokens proved to be valuable in trade because they did not leave the country, whereas the gold and silver coins were used and accepted in foreign trade, thereby leaving Canada.

Canada, being so close to the United States, has been influenced to a great extent in its use of coins. Having been under rule by the French and the English nations at different times, its coinage came from both countries. However, like the United States, in its early years as a struggling young nation and having no coinage of its own, Canada adopted the coins of many other lands. The Spanish milled dollar was used extensively in both the U. S. and Canada. French and English coins were both very scarce in Canada, making them turn to the coins and tokens of others.

They virtually adopted the decimal coinage system as in use by the U. S. and kept their accounts by this system, based on 100 cents to the dollar. English coins for use in Canada were minted at both the Tower mint in London and the Heaton mint in Birmingham prior to the establishment of the Royal Canadian mint in Ottawa in 1908.

The obverse of Canadian coins traditionally portrays the ruling monarch in power at the time the coins were minted. Traditionally also, the ruler's face is shown in the opposite direction from that of the previous ruler. The one exception to this rule was of King Edward VIII, prince of Wales; however, no coins were struck with his bust on them because of his abdication of the throne. His reason given for

Canada is rich in coinage variety to interest the collector.

wanting his portrait to be the same as the previous ruler, it is said, was because of the way he parted his hair, thus giving him a better profile.

This tradition is traced back to King Charles II of England (1660-85) who refused to face in the same direction as his predeceessor, Cromwell.

King George VI who replaced King Edward VIII after his abdication, discarded the old maple wreath reverse on Canadian coins in use for eighty years. It was replaced with different designs on each coin such as the maple sprig, beaver, fishing schooner, Canadian coat of arms, caribou and the canoe.

For the coin collector, the Canadian coins are interesting and comparatively easy sets to complete. Very few rare coins are found in the sets as compared to U. S. sets of like dates. Then too, the fact that only one coin per year in each series in needed, simplifies the set. The large cents of Canada date from 1858 through 1920, the small cent collection dates from 1920, through 1964.

The five cent silver set dates from 1858 through 1920, while the five cent nickel begins in 1922 and continues through 1964, with several changes during the war years when other metal was substituted for nickel due to a metal shortage.

The ten cent silver mintage dates from 1858 through 1964 while the twenty cent piece was made only one year - 1858. The twenty-five cent piece and the fifty-cent piece, both in silver, were minted first in 1870 and continues through 1964.

Silver dollars were first minted in 1935 and at intervals since that time. Canada has had quite a number of commemorative coins but they were always used as regular coins for circulation for the year in which they were issued.

Canada has also had its gold coins. First were the sovereigns of 1908 through the years to 1919 except for the years 1912 and 1915, in which there were none minted. The five and ten dollar Canadian gold coins of George V were minted in Canada only three years, 1912, 1913 and 1914.

The paper money of Canada dates first in 1870 when the fractional notes called "shin plasters" were issued. These were of 25c denomination and were recalled in 1935 by the Canadian government. Made also in 1870 were the $1, $2 and $4 notes as well as larger notes up to the amount of $50,000 each. At the present time, the notes most prominent in use are the ones of like amounts as the U. S. currency.

For the type collector - here is a list of the metallic coins you would need for a type set; four large cents, three small cents, three five-cent silver, eleven five-cent nickels, six ten-cent silver, one 20c piece, six quarters, five 50c pieces and six one dollar pieces. One of the hardest of these to find will be the 20c silver made in only the one year.

The legends appearing on Canadian decimal coins are as follows:

Britt: REX or BRITT: REG:, is an abbreviation of "Britanniarum Rex" or "Britanniarum Regina" meaning "King (or Queen) of the British Isles."

D: G: is an abbreviation of "Die Gratia" meaning "By the Grace of God."

F: D: is an abbreviation of "FIDEI DEFENSOR" meaning "Defender of the Faith." This title was conferred by Pope Leo X on King Henry VIII in acknowledgement of his defense of the Roman Catholic Faith against Martin Luther

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CANADA'S COMMEMORATIVE COINS

By Miriam Gilmore,
Weslaco, Texas

A great adventure is in store for visitors to Canada with its frosty winters and breathtaking beauty that would stagger any imagination. A great adventure is also in store for collectors of commemorative coins; when they direct their collecting across the Northern border to Canada.

Canada has been very conservative in striking commemorative coins; having issued only six such coins to date - five silver dollars and one five-cent piece - all representing major historical happenings in this icy land.

The first commemorative coin issued was in 1935, a silver dollar marking the 25th anniversary of the ascension to the throne of King George V of England. The king, in royal dress, is shown on the coin's obverse. The reverse bears the picture of an Indian and a voyageur paddling a canoe, the most practical mode of travel on Canada's many rivers. The issue in 1935 was not only a commemorative coin but the first silver dollar produced for Canada as well. Only 428,120 were minted and it is the most elusive of the six coins.

In 1939 another silver dollar was issued - this time to honor the Royal visit to Canada of His Majesty King George VI and his daughter then Princess Elizabeth, and now queen of England following her father's death in 1952. The obverse shows the king with the reverse containing a view of the Parliament Buildings overlooking the capitol city of Ottawa, Ontario. (The original buildings were destroyed by fire and rebuilt in 1916.) The Latin inscription on the reverse reads: "They Rule Through the Confidence of Their People." Mintage figures for the 1939 silver dollar show 1,363,816.

The entry of Newfoundland as a part of the Dominion of Canada in 1949 was the occasion for issuance of the next commemorative dollar. The annexation marked Newfoundland as the tenth province of Canada. This coin also bears the portrait of King George VI on the obverse; and the reverse shows a replica of the three-masted ship "Mathew" in which the discoverer John Cabot sailed to Newfoundland Island in 1497. The Latin inscription is translated to "Let The New World Prosper." Only 672,298 coins were issued.

Canada changed its style of commemorative coins two years later in 1951 by issuing a five-cent piece instead of a dollar. The event celebrated was the 200th anniversary of the isolation of nickel. The story connected with this issue is that a Swedish scientist, Dr. Alex Fredwick Cronstedt in the year 1751 introduced a technique for the development of commercial application in the vast nickel deposits in Canada economy is represented on the reverse of the 1951 nickel. The outline of a nickel refinery above three maple leaves, the national emblem, is found on the reverse with the profile of King George VI on the obverse. The Canadian nickel is truly a nickel, being struck in pure metal; while the United States five-cent piece, which we have named "nickel," is an alloy of nickel and copper. Mintage reports show 9,029,048 of the 1951 commemorative nickels issued.

Seven years later, in 1958, Canada reverted to the dollar as a commemorative, this one to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the gold rush in British Colombia and its

establishment as a Crown colony. For the first time, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II appears on a commemorative of Canada. On the reverse we see a totem pole with its grotesque figures standing before an outline of the mighty Rocky Mountains. (It has been reported at various times that the native Indians would not accept the 1958 dollar as currency because of the superstitions surrounding the totem pole.)

This year, 1964, marked another event for Canada to issue another commemorative coin. A beautiful silver dollar celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Charlottetown Conference of 1864 which, three years later, led to confederation. Queen Elizabeth II is again portrayed on the obverse. Represented on the reverse is an artistic design centered with a rose, thistle, shamrock and fleur-de-lis, symbolic of the four groups of people the English, Scots, Irish and French, who played such prominent roles in the history of Canada's development.

To build a set of the six commemorative coins of Canada is within everyone's reach - they are not scarce and they are not expensive; and all can be had in uncirculated condition. Important highlights of the story of Canada can be summed up in six coins and will make up into an eye-appealing exhibit for all to enjoy.

(Reference - Standard Catalogue of Canadian Coins, Tokens and Paper Money by J. E. Charlton.)

The one peso paper money of Mexico was produced in the United States until recently. The banknotes are being replaced by silver pesos until the Mexican government can issue its own notes.

T.N.A. Members Invited To Meet

The Society of Paper Money Collectors will have a get-together at the Florida United Numismatists convention from January 6-10, 1965 at the Deauville Hotel, Miami, Florida. The meeting will be held on Friday of the convention and we invite anyone interested in paper money to attend.

The convention is giving special awards to paper money exhibits in the following categories: U. S. currency, foreign currency, Colonial currency, obsolete paper money (including Continental, Confederate, Broken Bank Notes, Script, etc.)

A special invitation is being given to any T.N.A. member who would like to exhibit his collection in any of the above categories.

Anyone interested, please contact Thos. C. Bain, 3717 Marquette Drive, Dallas, Texas 75225.

A NUMISMATIC LOOK –

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in 1521.

REX IMPERATOR means "King Emperor."

REX ET IND: IMP: is an abbreviation of "Rex et India Imperator" or "King and Emperor of India.

ANNO REGNI XXV means Regnal year 25.

PARVA SUB INGENTI: means "Small things under the Great."

FIDE SUORUM REGNAT: means "He reigns on the loyalty of his people."

Tally-ho and good hunting.

(References: Standard Catalogue of Candian Coins, Coins Tokens and Paper Money by J. E. Charlton; and British Colonial Coins and Tokens by J. Verner Scaife, Jr. as reprinted from the The Numismatist.)

A TEXAN LOOKS IN ON C. N. A.

By Doris Martin,
Houston, Texas

Here we were driving along the Atlantic seaboard in Nova Scotia dodging oncoming cars and pedestrians wheeling prams (note how British we became in less than a day), when the foggiest fog you ever saw rolled in. This can be quite risky for all concerned, so we pulled in at the first motel sign.

Wouldn't you know we would land in the heart of the former headquarters of the British Royalist? But nothing untoward happened and dawn found the sun shining, so we continued to Halifax and the Nova Scotian Hotel, the meeting place of the Canadian Numismatic Association.

Didn't take long to get settled and to feel at home. Along with the extremely cordial Canadians we found a bevy of our American Numismatic Association friends. Among them were the Freeman's form Arkansas, the Yeoman's from Wisconsin, the Sheldon's from Chicago, the Shroyer's from Ohio, John Pittman from New York, Chet Krause of Numismatic News, and Russell Rulau of Coin World.

As you would expect, the bourse room found Canadian dealers and coins abundantly arrayed. However, Texas was represented by Mr. and Mrs. Stan Rupert of San Antonio. (Texans can't be downed. We turn up in the most unexpected places!) I bought one coin, a 1948 New Foundland dollar. I discovered that most Canadian coins were cheaper at home.

I discovered other things too. Having just come from our A.N.A. convention in Cleveland, I could make comparisons. We were bigger, louder, brasher, busier and flashier. The Canadian convention had a comfortable, at ease climate.

Maybe it was the warm sun, the balmy weather and the unforgettable friendliness of all you met. Or maybe at our national convention we are so busy taking care of our own needs, that like a lusty child we become self-centered and lose sight of the real purpose of a convention - to greet old freinds, meet new friends and promote numismatics.

We are what we are simply because we have outgrown ourselves. Time will see our conventions tailored to our size. In the meanwhile, let's ourselves go, and enjoy the hobby. Let's let our fellow man do the same.

We, here in Houston, will strive to host an enjoyable A.N.A. convention. Large or small, we trust it will be remembered as we remember the Canadian convention - a fine group and most hospitable gathering.

Canadian Large Cents

The large cents of Canada were minted from 1858 to 1920 and they were all minted in England and shipped across the Atlantic Ocean to the shores of Canada.

Those coined at the Heaton mint in Birmingham bear the mint mark H. Those issued from the Tower mint in London do not have mint marks.

The Canadian large cents are comparable in size to the United States early cents.

The United States Mint, erected in 1792, in Philadelphia, was the first building owned by the U.S. government.

EL PASO IN LIMELIGHT DURING CHAMIZAL RITE

"Let Chamizal stand as a symbol to all the world that the most troublesome of problems can yield to the tools of peace." - those were the words expressed by Lyndon B. Johnson, President of the United States, in a speech prepared for a ceremony held in El Paso, Texas on September 25, 1964 with President Adolfo Lopez Mateos of Mexico to celebrate the settlement of the century-old boundary dispute with Mexico.

The Chamizal, meaning an island or isolated parcel of land was once part of Mexico until the rampaging Rio Grande River circled southward and cut a new boundary line between the two countries. Since 1864, the ownership of the two and one-half square miles of land has been the subject of the 100-year-old argument. The El Chamizal treaty returns this strip of land to Mexico and gives Texas a small piece of Mexican land in exchange.

An estimated crowd of 150,000 from the two border cities of El Paso and Juarez witnessed the history-making ceremony which took place in the center of the International Bridge. Later a more formal celebration was held in El Paso.

President Lopez Mateos commented that it was a wonderful day for him and announced plans for the erection of a monument to the late John F. Kennedy on the Chamizal territory. The late president helped to negotiate the border settlement in June, 1962.

Recently a silver medal was produced in commemoration of the historical event and is available to collectors through dealers of Mexican coins.

The impressive El Chamizal silver medal was issued to honor the settlement of a century-old El Paso-Juarez boundary dispute between the United States and Mexico. The obverse bears representation by the two nations' presidents - Adolfo Lopez of Mexico and the late John F. Kennedy, of the United States. Seated is the figure of Benito Juarez, Mexico's beloved patriot, one-time president and peace worker, holding a scroll stretched to read: "El Respeto al Derecho Ajeno Es La Paz;" and translated to "Respect of the Rightful Owner is Peace." The inscription above Juarez' head, "Justica Revolucianaria de Publos Amigos" means "Retributive Justice for Friendly Towns."

Crossed flags of the two countries, signifying peace, are arranged on the medal's reverse below the strip of land involved. It is being re-marked by compass point. The dates 1863 and 1963 appear on the lower part. Above is "Recuperacion del Territorio del Chamizal" which reads in English "Recovery of the Island Territory."

PIECES OF EIGHT – Part Six

By Crawford Wyman as told to Harold L. Van Doren

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One of the most romantic myths ever attached to a coin used to be told about the so-called United States dollar of 1804. Early collectors of American coins discovered that dollars of this date were always missing in their series. The mint records showed that 19,370 silver dollars were issued in that year, although they were discontinued thereafter until about 1840. No such coin was ever known until 1843, when a Mr. Stickney of Salem, Massachusetts, announced that he had added one to his collection. Then others began to turn up.

Some anonymous romancer cudgeled his brain for an explanation, and finally produced a tale which was logical enough to bear the stamp of truth. The entire issue of silver dollars, so the story went, was loaded on board a ship and sent to the Barbary Coast in payment of the tribute which was then exacted from the United States by the Algerian pirates in return for noninterference with American shipping. But the ship was wrecked off the coast of Africa, and the few specimens extant were either washed up along the shore or hastily salvaged by the fleeing crew.

It was easy to believe such an alluring falsehood. But in this case the old proverb must be reversed and fiction becomes stranger than truth. The truth seems to be that no such coins were ever minted, at least not in 1804. The mint records took no account of the dates on the coins, and if a number of dollars were issued in 1804 they were probably struck from the 1803 dies.

A set of dies seems to have been made, however, because they were found later in the mint. About 1843 someone brought enough silver to the mint to have five or six copies struck outside the regular current coinage, as souvenirs. This happened again at various times until the 70's, and now there are thirteen copies known. The 1804 dollar has always made good copy for the newspapers but experts have had to abandon romance for truth; the buccaneers have retreated before the cold light of facts.

MISTAKING THE GENUINE

A few years ago I had an amusing experience in connection with this coin. In browsing around Liverpool I wandered into a pawnshop to see what old coins he had in stock, and engaged in conversation with another customer, who, I discovered, rather fancied himself as a numismatist. We exchanged tales of numismatic exploits, but for every story I told he tried to go me one better. As a grand finale, calculated to silence me for good and all, he proclaimed:

"I bought an 1801 dollar last year for five shillings, and sold it to an American for $300."

"There ain't no such animals," I retorted jocularly.

There may have been malice in my remark, but I was hardly prepared for the storm it caused. His face grew purple, and for a moment I am sure he contemplated killing me on the spot. After he calmed down and let me tell him the truth, he wandered off in utter dejection.

Of all phases of numismatics,

counterfeiting touches the world at more points than any other. It concerns the collector, the dealer, the public and the police. Counterfeiters have the oldest record in the annuals of crime. Usually they are highly educated men and skillful craftsmen; they have to be, in order for their work to escape detection by mint experts, banks, collectors and even the tradesmen who drops your half dollar on the counter to see if it rings true. Counterfeits have existed almost as long as coins. Many specimens of Greek and Roman coins are known to be counterfeits made when the coins were still in circulation, although in those days, when the authority to issue money was considered almost a holy privilege and the secrets of die cutting were jealously guarded by trusted agents of the issuing power, counterfeiting was doubtless more difficult to carry on than now.

Silver is most commonly the object of the counterfeiter's attentions. Copper and nickel are not worth the trouble, and gold is difficult to imitate on account of its weight. Most silver counterfeits contain a certain percentage of silver, for the day is past when the counterfeiter could get by with a cheap job made of lead or zinc. Even our regular United States silver coinage contains a small alloy, but not enough to prevent it from having the bright look and hard clean feel of pure silver. Debased silver feels greasy; with a little experience anyone can tell it at once from good coins.

Since the time of Queen Elizabeth, Great Britain has always prided herself on the purity and fineness of her silver coinage. But for a short time after the World War the British mint issued debased silver for economic reasons. It was nearly half copper, and still causes considerable annoyance, because many people unacquainted with the circumstances take the perfectly legitimate coinage for counterfeit. To be continued . . .

Dallas Plans Convention

The Adolphus Hotel in downtown Dallas will be the site for the Dallas Coin Convention to be held February 20-21, 1965, according to an announcement made by Romy Runner, bourse chairman. Guests are expected from neighboring Louisiana, Oklahoma, Arkansas and New Mexico.

For further details, Runner may be contacted at 537 W. Jefferson, Dallas 8, Texas.

Death Claims Mrs. McMillan

Mrs. F. J. (Rollin) McMillan of Beaumont died on August 29 at St. Elizabeth Hospital after a two months illness. Members of the Beaumont Coin Club were honorary pallbearers at services in Beaumont.

One of the founders of the Beaumont Coin Club and long-time secretary-treasurer, Mrs. McMillan had been named honorary convention chairman last July of the Beaumont coin show which was held at the Ridgewood Motel on September 19-20. She was presented with a suitable plaque signifying this honor. Mr. McMillan is the current club president, a position he has held several times in the past.

An ardent student of numismatics and an advanced collector in the field of both United States and foreign coins, Mrs. McMillan was internationally known among the professional numismatists for her interest in world coins that spanned over 20 years.

COLLECTING MEDALS IN FIELD OF NUMISMATICS

By Ava Setzer
Shreveport, La.

Each to his own hobby in the field of numismatics, but to me the most interesting is the hobby of collecting medals, both Mexican and American.

To really enjoy a medal, one must look at it and from it obtain the historical message that it conveys to the viewer. From the study of medals, you can sometimes obtain a story, enjoy a hero or learn the history of an important event.

To really display medals in exhibits requires much research and study if you are trying to present a story. If there is no written history with the medal, you can look up a word on it and by looking up the word you can begin to understand what the medal is relating to and about; and from that begin your display.

Of the many American medals that are produced in bronze and silver, one of the most beautiful and one of my favorite sets is the Heraldic Art set. These medals relate to the history of America and each sculptured piece relates to an important event, patriotic person or a battle in the history of this great country that we call America.

Photo Courtesy Neil Utberg

ZAPATA

One of Mexico's beautiful medals honoring Emiliano Zapata, historical figure of Mexico.

The silver medals of Mexico are definitely one of the most beautiful and detailed works of art in the numismatic field. These medals are a masterpiece of art and most of them are sculptured and detailed to present a picturesque story. There are many issues of these medals and few of them are limited issues. No person knows the number of these medals that were minted or all of the different varieties, as collectors of them are always locating a new variety to add to their collection. Mexico can be congratulated on the medals both in silver and bronze that they produce.

In closing, may I say that the word **MEDAL** is derived from the French "Medaille"; the Italian, "Medaglin"; deriv. of L. metallum metal. Specifically it is a place of metal, cast or struck with a device, etc., intended to preserve the remembrance of a notable event or person or to serve as a reward. It is not a medium of money exchange in any land, but is a phase in the numismatic field to appreciate and enjoy in the hobby of collecting.

MADIS OPENS NEW STORE

Frank Madis of Dallas has announced the opening of the Great Southwestern Coin & Gun Exchange located at 515 B West Jefferson in Dallas.

The new firm will have, in addition to numismatic items for collectors of United States and foreign coins, a complete line of the finest antiques and modern arms available to customers.

TEXAS HISTORY PROMINENT AT SAN ANGELO COIN SHOW

By Jean Gillette, Staff Writer,
San Angelo Standard-Times

Pieces of Texas history were on display at the recent fourth annual San Angelo Coin Club show at the Town House Hotel.

E. H. Brooks, president of the Texas Numismatic Association, had on display a non-competitive exhibit of paper money from the days of the Republic of Texas and Civil War scrip issued in Texas. Much of the money was in the form of interest-bearing notes rather than the usual currency.

There were several $100 bonds and a $500 bond dating from 1839, 1840, and 1841 and signed by Mirabeau Lamar. The bonds, which bore eight per cent interest, carried ten coupons for interest to be redeemed semi-annually.

The bonds, however, still carry all of the coupons indicating their owners waited until maturity to collect their interest. All of the bonds bear marks with a razor blade, cutting out small portions to void them.

Brooks' exhibit also included a full series of Republic currency in $1, $2, $5, $10, $20, $50, $100 and $500 amounts. The $500 bill is quite rare, according to Brooks. Bills in this series also bore interest to the rate of ten per cent.

Other rare species were contained in a series of Texan Navy and military scrip issued in varying amounts, generally $25 and $50. The scrip was issued in lieu of appropriate funds and would be paid at the state treasury when the next appropriation provided funds. The scrip issued during the years 1836 to 1838 showed the capital to be located at Velasco, Columbia and Houston. Much of the currency was issued from the Consolidated Fund of Texas on public faith. Brooks has several of these in amounts up to $1000. Evidently most of the Republic bonded indebtedness, at least that represented by the bonds and notes in Brooks' possession, was paid off to the bearers.

But Brooks owns one large and impressive bond linked to Texas history, which was not worth the paper it was printed on at the time of its issuance in 1866.

General Antonio Lopez de Santa Anna, the Mexican general of San Jacinto battle fame floated a huge bond issue backed by the Latin-American plantations he was supposed to have owned.

The first mortgage bond owned by Brooks is in the amount of $500 and was issued to Henry G. Norton and Virgil Whitcomb. The bonds were sold in the United States and throughout Europe.

The Civil War shortage of metallic coinage stimulated the production of great amounts of local scrip in Texas, as elsewhere in the South and even in the North. Brooks had samples of scrip from Washington County and from the City of Brownsville. The Washington County scrip, in amounts of 50 cents, $1, $2 and $3 was not circulated.

Three of the four Brownsville scrip bills, signed by Major George Dix, were issued to an M. Kenedy, who may be identified as Capt. Mifflin Kenedy, river-boating associate of Capt. Richard King, founder of the famous King Ranch.

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JUNIOR READIN' ROUNDUP

Juniors - are essays ready? November 10 is the deadline for your essay on "Coins Tell the Christmas Story" to reach the youth program chairman, Mrs. Chris Johns. The winning entry will appear in the December issue of the TNA News and will be awarded $15 in numismatic books of the winner's choice.

Get those essays in the mail TODAY to Mrs. Johns, 1412 Westheimer, Houston, Texas 77006.

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CANADIAN SPECIMEN ISSUES

By Bill Barrett, Young Numismatist of America Member

In the first year of Canada's coinage, 1858, the Tower Mint made specimen sets in addition to the regular issues. These sets contain the large cent, silver five cent, ten cent piece, and the unique twenty cent piece. This set was made in extremely small quantities, and is hardly ever seen. The twenty cent piece seems to have been struck in a larger quantity, as there are some around without the sets.

The next set was struck in 1870, second regular year of Canada's coinage. This set contains the five, ten, twenty-five, and fifty cent pieces, and is much rarer than the 1858.

Another regular specimen set was not offered until 1902. This set, although its catalog value is only $1,000, seems to be scarce beyond its value. A Montreal coin dealer recently offered $100 just to see such a set, so its true value can only be guessed at.

In the first year of the Ottawa Mint, 1908, Canada had another set struck. This one is more common than the previous ones, and contains the cent through the half dollar.

Another rare set was made in 1911. It contains the same coins as the 1908, but the uncirculated coins are very rare. The cent is sometimes encountered separate from the set.

By far the commonest set was made in 1937. It contains the cent through the silver dollar, and was the last regular specimen set struck for the public.

Sets were struck in other years, although they are extremely scarce. An 1875H set recently sold for $18,000, and an 1845 for $3,000. These specimen sets are not to be confused with the proof-like sets now made.

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COIN COLLECTING

By Terry Green, Harlingen, Texas

Coin collecting is a hobby popular all over the world. Those who collect old or rare money are called numismatics. This word comes from the Greek word meaning coin or money. A numismatist may spend up to $6,000 for a certain penny. Coin collecting is a great teacher, one learns about empires that no longer exist, just by studying a single coin. By doing this you can find out what it was used for, why it was minted, and why it was discontinued. Some coins are so old that they are even mentioned in the Bible.

The value of a coin does not come from the age of the coin, but rather from its rarity and its condition. Numismatists grade a

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MUCH ADO ABOUT SILVER DOLLARS

By Weldon Surber,
San Angelo Standard-Times

Probably the most interesting continuing controversy among coin collectors concern a silver dollar.

There are only 12 known 1804 dollars, and each is valued at $25,000. But many numismatists claim no dollars were minted in 1804 and that all those dated 1804 in existence were minted after 1836. Several books were written on this dollar.

The United States has minted only five types of silver dollars. The first, minted in 1794 and called the "bust type," continued until 1804.

Silver dollars were not struck form 1804 to 1836. In 1836 the Liberty seated dollar was minted mostly in proof. These proof dollars now sell for several thousand dollars each.

In 1840 these dollars were minted for general circulation. They lasted until 1873, when the government issued the trade dollar to compete with the popular Mexican dollar in the Orient. The trade dollar was minted for export use until 1878.

The popular Morgan type dollar, named for its designer, George T. Morgan, was first minted in 1878. By 1904, when the treasury again stopped minting dollars, nearly 600 million Morgan dollars had been struck.

In 1918 the Pittman Act authorized the U. S. Mint to melt 270 million silver dollars, mostly for coins for India. No record of dates of those melted were kept. However, in 1921, the mint again started producing dollars and after turning out 75 million Morgan dollars it brought out the peace dollar with the dove on the reverse to commemorate peace treaties signed after World War I.

More than 84 million of those were minted between 1921 and 1935, the year the last silver dollar was struck.

In 1935 some 300 million silver dollars were in the Treasury's vaults. Two years ago more than 100 million still were in the vaults and more than 300 million in circulation. The Treasury thought that was enough for years to come but didn't reckon with speculator-investor type coin collectors.

The mint's policy in storing coins was "first in, last out," so that was assurance that among dollars at the Treasury were some early dates that would bring premiums. So the run was on.

The last 50 million dollars were gone in a few weeks. While banks were unable to get silver dollars from the Federal Reserve System, speculators were going to Washington, presenting silver certificates and demanding silver dollars.

One Arkansas man took $200,000 in silver certificates to Washington and exchanged them for silver dollars, hired a Brink's armored truck and hauled them home.

Has this paid off? To those who received uncirculated dollars at face price, it probably has. All uncirculated silver dollars bring a premium ranging from 75 cents to $75. But all collectors must remember there are more than 400 million silver dollars in circulation - or supposed to be.

A silver dollar is seldom seen in circulation. Also, the treasury refuses to release 300 million they say are so rare they would bring big premiums. Most of these are believed to

have been minted in Carson City, Nev., from 1870 to 1879.

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GODDESS OF LIBERTY

The "Goddess of Liberty" displayed on the Morgan Dollar didn't relish her role, even after the man who designed the coin conducted a long search to find her.

An act of Congress in February 1878 authorized the U. S. Mint to resume minting of the silver dollar after a five-year lapse. The Treasury Department secured the services of the outstanding but young designer and engraver from the Royal Mint of England.

Upon his arrival at the Philadelphia mint, he was assigned the task of making a design for the new dollar. After several months of labor, George Morgan completed the design for the reverse side of the dollar, representing on it an American eagle.

On the obverse, his original inclination was to place a fanciful head representing the goddess of liberty. The young designer was a realist and just couldn't be satisfied with a mere product of fancy. He determined the head must be representative of an American girl.

He started looking for a beautiful girl. But he was particular and the search was long though the designer said it was not unpleasant.

One of his friends told him of a young lady who was the "real classic beauty." Morgan was introduced to her and was impressed by her beauty, later declaring her profile "the most nearly perfect" he had seen in England or America.

But when he told her his idea for her to be a model for the Goddess of liberty, she refused. Her friends, however, persuaded her to pose for the design, promising they would not make it public she was the one who posed. They were unable to keep the secret, as it turned out, and people learned the goddess of liberty profile was that of Miss Anna W. Williams, a young school teacher of Philadelphia.

When her engagement was announced in 1898 - 20 years after she posed - the New York Mila and Express said, "She carries her figure with a stalliness rarely seen, and the pose of the head is exactly as seen on the silver dollar. The features of Miss Williams are reproduced faithfully as in a good photograph.

"Goddess of Liberty"

JUNIOR READING —

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coin by its condition. Numismatists buy proofs from the government, which are extremely polished coins made especially for coin collectors. An uncirculated coin is a coin that has never been used.

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New officers for 1964-65 heading the Young Numismatics of Harlingen are Philip Leonard, president; Terry Green, vice-president; John Taylor, secretary; and Tracy Trotter, treasurer.

The group meets every other Saturday morning at members' homes. The Young Numismatists is the only junior club boasting membership in the Texas Numismatic Association.

NEWS - VIEWS - WHOS

EDNA EUBANK (Brownsville) home from the hospital following illness . . . **NEIL UTBERG** (Edinburg) guest speaker at California's Azteca Numismatic Society . . . **FRANK NORRIS** (McAllen) assumed new duties as vice-president of Security State Bank at Pharr . . . **BARNEY BROOKS** (San Angelo) enjoying chilly Colorado on a deer hunt while brother, **ELLIS**, is having car trouble at home. Ice truck smashed a fender; repair job completed in time attend Big Spring Coin Club's show; and bang! (You won't believe this, but) a big bird dog, chased by a little dog, smashed into the same fender! Ellis commented that it was a hit and run case - if he ever witnessed one - the dog never stopped . . .

Vacationing for several weeks in Texas City is **STELLA WILLIAMS** (Raymondville) . . . **PHILIP LEONARD**, newly elected president of Young Numismatists of Harlingen, trying to conduct presidental duties with a broken arm . . . There is such a shortage of small change in the small town of Masbracht, Holland that the bank director regularly visits churches to exchange banknotes for coins from offertory boxes . . . **CLARENCE DAVIS** (Corpus Christi) in the Rio Grande Valley on a business trip . . .

DON CHRISTIANSEN (San Benito) elk hunting in Dark Canyon and Blanding, Utah . . . **MRS. CLAUDE CLIFTON** (Taos, N. M.) formerly of Kingsville, now serving as secretry of a new club organized in her new home town . . . **MRS. FORREST JONES** (Port Mansfield) suffered a serious and painful cut on her right hand . . . **HARVEY BRUNS** (Mission) guest speaker at Rotary Club meeting in Mission . . . Subject? Coins . . . **FRANK MADIS** (Dallas) planning a trip to Central and South America, Europe and U.S.S.R. on his honeymoon. Wedding to be in February . . . **HENRY (HANK) DAVIS** (Weslaco) home from a stay in the hospital . . .

Any coin club within a radius of 100 miles of Big Spring wanting a bang-up program, contact **DAN KESTER**, 146-B Dow Drive, Big Spring, Texas. Kester is president of the Big Spring club and has volunteered to give club programs. Just contact him . . . the **ROY BENNETTS** (Brownsville) back from a trip to Canada . . .

THE LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

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To Date Oct. 13, 1964.
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EVENTS CALENDAR

NOVEMBER 7-8

AUSTIN TEXAS COIN CLUB'S "Money Mart," Driskill Hotel, Austin, Tex. Carlton Brush, gen chrm., 4000 Lullwood Rd., Austin, Tex. John Mayfield, 1407 Ridgemont, Austin, bourse chm.

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NOVEMBER 15

CLEBURNE COIN CLUB third annual exhibit show, Community Room, Cleburne Savings & Loan Assn. Virginia Beasley, gen chrm., Rt. 4, Cleburne, Tex.

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NOVEMBER 14-15

BROWNSVILLE COIN CLUB coin show, Holiday Inn, Brownsville, Tex. Contact Bill Dorris, club pres., 1209 W. Levee, Brownsville, Tex. 78520.

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NOVEMBER 14-15

PERMIAN BASIN COIN SHOW, Lincoln Hotel, Odessa, Tex. Arnold Martin, bourse chrm., 119 W. 2nd St., Odessa, Tex.

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DECEMBER 12-13

FOURTH ANNUAL GULF COAST COIN SHOW, Pasadena Coin Club, Pasadena, Tex. Gulfgate Shopping Center. R. C. Holdren, bourse, 930 Oak Meadows, Houston, Tex. 77017.

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1965 SEASON

FEBRUARY 13-14

SWEETWATER COIN & GUN SHOW, National Guard Armory. Contact J. Paul Turner, Star Route, Sweetwater, Tex.

FEBRUARY 27-28

DALLAS COIN CONVENTION, Aldolphus Hotel, Dallas, Tex. Ronny Runner, bourse, 537 W. Jefferson, Dallas 8, Tex.

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FEBRUARY 27-28

GREATER PORT ARTHUR COIN CLUB 7th annual coin show, Thomas Jefferson School Cafeteria. L. E. Buss, Bourse Chrm. 1501 Brinkman, Port Arthur, Tex.

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MARCH 26-28

TEXAS NUMISMATIC ASSN. 7th convention, Robert Driscoll Hotel, Corpus Christi, Tex., Joe B. Davis, gen. chrm., 638 DeForrest, Corpus Christi, Tex.

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MAY 15-16

CLEBURNE COIN CLUB annual coin show. Contact Virginia Beasley, sec., Rt. 4, Cleburne, Tex.

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MAY 15-16

HIDALGO COIN CLUB 2nd annual coin show, Echo Motor Hotel, Edinburg, Tex. Milton Shrank, gen. chrm., 1120 N. 15th, McAllen, Tex. Bourse chrm. Wally Gilmore, Box 74, Weslaco, Tex., 78596.

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JUNE 24-27

RETAIL COIN DEALERS ASSN. 2nd annual convention, Onondaga War Memorial Bldg., Syracuse, N.Y.

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AUGUST 24-28

AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSN. 74th annual convention, Shamrock-Hilton Hotel, Houston, Texas. A. I. Martin, gen chrm., 6207 Chevy Chase, Houston, Tex.

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SEPTEMBER 4-5

CENTRAL TEXAS COIN CLUB annual coin show. Cow House Hotel,

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Coin Club Copy

DISTRICT THREE

The **NOLAN COUNTY COIN CLUB** (Sweetwater), meeting in September at the Holiday Center, heard E. H. Brooks speak on exhibiting at coin shows. Buddy Cox conducted the business meeting in the absence of the president, Richy Kinsey. Walter Hamilton was elected to serve as third vice-president due to the resignation of Andy Way.

Seventy-one members make up the newly organized club and a drive is currently on to raise money for the club treasury. A special drawing will be conducted at each meeting with donations being accepted from members.

Mrs. Ben C. Monroe, Sec'y

"THE UNTOUCHABLES," a very beautiful exhibit of United States proof sets, and so appropriately named, won best of show and first place in U. S. coins of Hirsh Schwartz of Schulenberg at the recent San Angelo Coin Club show held at the Town House Hotel in San Angelo.

Weldon Surber, outstanding numismatist and coin columnist, was presented with an American Numismatic Association educational certificate award at the October meeting of the **SAN ANGELO COIN CLUB** held at the Town House Hotel. Surber is club president and writes a weekly column on numismatics for the San Angelo Standard-Times, which have been so well received by the public. E. H. Brooks, T.N.A. president, made the presentation.

"History of English Coins" was the topic for discussion by Bob Bailey. Bailey covered the entire coinage from ancient times up to the present date. All changes and the reasons for such were given.

Lee Beard, 1964 show chairman, reported that 2500 guests attended the show and the club treasury will show a nice profit. Bernard Shaller and Jim Jones were each presented with a five dollar gold piece in appreciation for work done in connection with the show.

Suber appointed a nominating committee to present a new slate of officers for election with a report to

MR. AND MRS. BOB BAILEY standing before the prize winning exhibit of English milled coins from 1662 to 1964 which took best of show and first place award in the foreign coin division Big Spring Coin Club's annual show. The Baileys also captured honors in the paper money division and the specialized coin class. The remarkable collection of English coins lacks only one to be complete, but Bailey intends to continue searching until he finds it.

be given at the next meeting. Serving on the committee will be Brooks, Gilley Pfluger and C. F. Bell.

Sixty-five members attended the session with special guest, Dan Kester, president of the **BIG SPRING COIN CLUB,** who extended an invitation for everyone to attend the club show October 10-11.

Mrs. J. R. Willcockson,
Corresponding Sec'y

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Top awards went to a San Angelo couple, Shirley and Bob Bailey, for their exhibits at the third annual coin show sponsored by the **Big SPRING COIN CLUB** held at the Settles Hotel October 10-11.

Bailey won best of show with his display of English milled coins dating from 1662 to 1964 and also was awarded first place in the foreign coin division, second in the specialized class and third in paper money. Mrs. Bailey took first in paper money, and first in specialized coins.

Other winners were: United States coins, Joe Maenner, first; Roy Bell, second; O. H. Daily, third; foreign coins, Charles Travis, second; and Charles Millier, third. Also winners were gold coins, Jack Gulley, first; paper money, W. E. Wozencraft, second, and also third in specialized.

Junior division winners included U. S. money, Lynn and Cathy Kirby, first and second; and Guy Teague, third. Teague also won first in foreign money.

The fabulous exhibit on loan from the Chase Manhattan Bank Money

COLONIAL COINS AND CURRENCY were in use in the 13 original colonies prior to 1776. The exhibit was among the top attractions for visitors at the Fall coin show hosted by the Big Spring Coin Club at the Settles Hotel. The display was on loan to the club courtesy of the Chase Manhattan Bank of New York City

Museum was one of the feature show attractions for the 1200 visitors. Three frames of coins and currency included the principal types of United States coins; Colonial coins and currency; and world coins of significant interest.

R. L. Tollett displayed a complete set of Flying Eagle and Indian Head cents in gem uncirulated condition; and W. E. Wozencraft, exhibit chairman, "Coins Jesus Knew" Lepton of Coponius; Tribute penny, denarius of Tiberius; and thirty pieces of silver, tetradrachm of Augustus struck at Antioch.

The club put emphasis on the educational aspects of the show and the hobby of coin collecting. A special invitation was extended to school teachers and students and the response was good, helping it to be the most successful show the club has so far staged.

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DISTRICT FIVE

New officers have been elected to serve the **FARMERS BRANCH COIN CLUB** (Dallas) with David I. Smith heading the group as president. Others elected to serve are O. M. Denton, vice-president; and Leota N. Green, Rt. 6 Box 618, Dallas 75229, secretary-treasurer. T.N.A. club representatives are Denton and Smith.

The club meets the second Thursday of each month.

Leota N. Green, Sec'y

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A display of a complete collection of Morgan dollars from 1878 to 1921 was exhibited by Amp Miller at the September meeting of the **BIG D COINER'S CLUB** of Dallas. The group met at the Dallas Federal Savings and Loan building in Preston Center.

The dollar collection ranged in condition from extra fine to brilliant uncirculated with the exception of two which were in fine condition.

A trading session occupied the majority of the meeting followed by a small auction of 31 lots conducted by Wally Widtman. The next meeting was scheduled for October 28.

Ronnie Max Smith, Sec'y

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DISTRICT SIX

Mrs. Chris Johns was in charge of the program for the recent meeting of the **GREATER HOUSTON COIN CLUB** meeting held at Bill Bennett's Grill in St. Joseph Professional building. Mrs. Johns chose "Miniatures of Coin World" as her subject for discussion and displayed portions of her prize-winning collection of tiny coins.

Frank Castleberry, Tommie Walter and Earnest Moake were appointed to serve on the nominating committee with a report to be given at the next meeting. A change in by-laws was approved by members to bring the club rules up to date.

Chris Johns, Sec'y

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The **GREATER PORT ARTHUR COIN CLUB** has selected the dates of February 27-28, 1965 for the seventh annual coin show at the Thomas Jefferson School cafeteria.

Committee chairmen and show details will be announced at a later date.

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Best of show award was captured by Hugh Threlkeld of La Marque for his display of foreign crowns at the October 10-11 coin jamboree sponsored by the **GALVESTON COUNTY COIN CLUB** at Texas City. The Fall event was held at the Holiday Inn. Co-chairmen were Mrs. Rudy Threlkeld and Carl Nessler, Jr.

Twenty-one Texas and Louisiana dealers were honored at a dinner party during the show at Nessler Civic Center. Approximately 1000 people were in attendance for the two day

show and viewed the many exhibits.

First place winners in the various categories were Ruby and Hugh Threlkeld, J. C. Fuller and Lloyd Hooks; second place, Fuller and E. E. White; third; Lennie Ripley and Georgia Smith.

Fourth place winners were M. J. Anderson, Mrs. Anderson, Georgia Smith, Christine Richardson, A. B. Embry, Wesley Dover, Lillian and Earl Russell and Mrs. Threlkeld.

In the junior division winners included Ronnie Anderson, Bob Gollberg and Dalphine Anderson. Noncompetitive exhibitors were Wesley Dover of Galveston with a display of United States coins and Floyd Schwartzbaugh, Port Arthur, displaying a case of coin oddities.

Assisting in host duties were Mrs. I. K. Richardson, registeration; Claude Ressler, dealers; publicity, A. B. Embry; Mark Varnadore, exhibits; Nessler, prizes and security; Hugh Threlkeld, insurance; and party arrangements, Mrs. Threlkeld.

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DISTRICT SEVEN

A special meeting was scheduled during the month of October for members of the **SAN ANTONIO COIN CLUB.** The club had been invited to have a meeting, exhibits and auction at Service Club No. 2 at Fort Sam Houston in the M. T. C. area.

The club was also planning a dinner party and social gathering at the Old Heidelberg in San Antonio marking a special occasion, in that recognition awards to past officers were to be presented.

A reminder was sent through the club bulletin by Williams W. Beuhler, Jr., temporary editor, that the **GREATER SAN ANTONIO FIFTH ANNUAL COIN CONVENTION** would be held October 31-November 1 at the Gunter Hotel by the **SAN ANTONIO, GATEWAY AND ALAMO COIN CLUBS.**

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DISTRICT EIGHT

A new meeting place, Kleberg County Court House, has been announced by the **KINGSVILLE COIN CLUB** according to the club bulletin and a report by Dorothy Depew, club secretary.

At the last meeting the film "A Trip Through the Denver Mint" was shown to the group by Bob Bridges of Corpus Christi. Scheduled for the next meeting was an exhibit of coins by Marvin Hamilton.

Club members voted to donate a cash sum to the American Numismatic Assn. building fund.

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A.N.A. slides on "Confederate States of America Notes" were enjoyed by members of the **HIDALGO COIN CLUB** (McAllen) at the October meeting held at the Casa de Palmas Hotel. A movie was also shown by Neil Utberg with scenes of coin shows and conventions which he had taken during his travels over the United States and Mexico.

Milton Schrank, coin show general chairman, announced that plans for the annual "Million Dollar" show were progressing nicely and committee meetings would be held from time to time to complete arrangements. The second annual show will be held May 15-16 at the Echo Motor Hotel in Edinburg.

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SAN BENITO COIN CLUB members heard M. D. Turner speak on coin collecting in general terms and pointed out that since United States coins were becoming difficult to obtain that more and more collectors are turning to the foreign coin field. He also described the new coins issued by Australia.

The club meets every second and

fourth Thursday at the Resaca Gardens Recreation Center. Miss Oneta Grisham is club president.

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Abe Lozano, a veteran police officer of the Harlingen Police Department and now serving in the detective division, brought to members of the **HARLINGEN COIN CLUB** highlights of a law enforcement convention held in Laredo. Lozano stressed that the main cause of the many coin collection robberies was through carelessness on the part of the owners.

Three main points were brought out in ways to protect against robberies: to inventory and insure a collection; store it in a bank safety deposit box or strong safe at home; and above all, do not tell everyone what and where you have it.

The Harlingen clubs meets twice monthly, the first and third Mondays at the Central Power & Light Co. building.

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Joe B. Davis of Corpus Christi, long-time collector, visited the **BROWNSVILLE COIN CLUB** on October 13 as a guest speaker under the auspices of the **SOUTH TEXAS ASSOCIATED COIN CLUBS** which, as one of its projects, is forming a speakers' bureau for benefit of member clubs.

Prior to Davis' discussion on "Coin Collecting, Growth and Investment in the Last Quarter Century," color slides of scenes and exhibits of the A.N.A. convention were shown by Mr. and Mrs. George Mather, also of Corpus Christi and guests of the club.

Davis reminisced to the days of the first A.N.A. convention held in Texas 12 years ago in Dallas. There were 25 to 30 dealers; the absence of exhibits and only 431 persons registered in 1952 in comparison to the over 9000 in attendance in Cleveland for the 1964 annual meeting.

In pointing out the growth of the hobby, Davis commented on the price of coins spiraling over the years due to more collectors demanding more coins. Using an illustrated chart, he showed how a few of the rare and scarce dates of different denominations had doubled and tripled in popularity and cost.

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M. D. TURNER, right, of San Benito is proudy displaying an A.N.A. educational certificate award which he received through the Harlingen Coin Club for presenting to members an outstanding program on "Collecting Foreign Crowns" and exhibiting part of his personal collection. With Turner are Mrs. Wally Gilmore, A.N.A. club representative, and R. O. Bork, club president.

DISTRICT NINE

The Tri-County Coin show was held September 19-20 in Childress at the Fair Park auditorium with the **CHILDRESS, QUANAH, HALL COUNTY COIN CLUBS** as sponsors. D. J. Jenkins was general chairman.

Approximately 1000 visitors attended the show which stressed the education and increase of knowledge in the numismatic field, especially among the beginner and junior collectors.

Mayor C. J. Lyons of Childress gave the welcoming address with

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from the secretary

by MRS. HOMER B. CASEY, Secretary
Texas Numismatic Association
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Applicants #1142-1156 and #C-94-C-96 as published in the October News have been mailed membership cards, yearbooks, and other materials.

APPLICATIONS

If no objections are filed prior to December 1, the following applicants will become members on that date.

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1159 (D-3) Kenneth D. Cranfill, Box 7, Rankin, Tex.; General U. S. E. H. Brooks and F. E. Covill.

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BECKMAN JOINS BEAUMONT FIRM

Alvin M. Beckman, nationally known numismatic authority, has joined Golden Coin Company of Beaumont as a special consultant in the foreign coin department. Mr. and Mrs. Sid Levinson have announced. Mr. and Mrs. Beckman have moved from Austin to Beaumont to assume duties in his new advisory capacity. "Although we are very proud to have Mr. Beckman as part of our firm, we intend to make his knowledge and service available to the many leading museums and other coin dealers who he has worked with in the past," Mr. Levinson announced.

As both a collector and a student of numismatics for over 50 years, Beckman spent all of his life until 1958 in Chicago. For the 18 years prior to that he was a musician with such well known orchestras as Benny Goodman, Artie Shaw and both the Dorsey brothers. He chose a profession that kept him busy primarily at night so he could pursue his studies in languages and numismatics. He reads and writes proficiently in Latin, Dutch, Spanish, Portuguese, French, German, Italian as well as English and has a workable knowledge of Greek.

Beckman began collecting in 1913 at the age of 12 and joined the American Numismatic Association in the early 1930's. In 1957 he was made a fellow in the American Numismatic Society. His first professional work in numismatics began over 25 years ago when he began attribution work for dealers and museums in the United States. Until his retirement in 1958, Beckman sandwiched his attribution work in with his regular work and then on his retirement he began to devote all his time to his numismatics studies and writings.

Although he has a wide knowledge of coins of all areas of the world in the eras of the 24th century to date, his particular specialities are coins of Brazil, German States and with Low Country tokens. One of his books on Brazilian counter stamps was published by the Brazilian Numismatic Society in the early 1950's and became a standard guide for the country in that field.

Levinson, who was a professional journalist for 25 years plans to collaborate with Beckman on a series of articles on foreign coins in the near future.

from the treasurer

by Freeman L. Craig, Treasurer

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DUTCH "RYDER" WORTH $42.30

From Corpus Christi Caller-Times

A gold Dutch "ryder" coin, minted in 1763, is one of the prized possessions of E. B. Billings, of Rockport, who occasionally takes it out of its resting place in his safe deposit box to show friends.

Minted of a gold more yellow than that of United States coins, it is about the size of a $50 gold piece. One side bears the figure of a horseman or "ryder" after which it is named; the other side has a lion with a sword and the date 1763.

"It was given to me by a friend a number of years ago," Billings said. "His father had brought it to this country about 1842. When he gave it to me it was in a velvet-lined box so old that the velvet crumbled away when we touched it."

Research on Billings' part, including letters to the Dutch mint, has developed considerable information about the particular group of coins, minted not long after coinage was stabilized in that country.

Worth $42.30 for the gold they contain, plus anything the buyer would give for one as a rare coin, the "ryders" were minted in response to the coinage decree of Robert Dudley, Earl of Leicester, an Englishman who became governor of the United Netherlands in 1585.

The first "ryders" appeared in 1606 without a face value, being received for their value in gold alone. However, Billings says, the coins were subject to clipping (that is cutting small bits away from their edges, which were smooth so they were with-drawn and the type he has, with milled edges like modern coins, was substituted.)

The "ryders," like those Billings has, were coined between 1760 and 1764, although by the latter year only one Dutch province, Zeeland, was issuing any. Since then, no others have been struck until De Twentsche Bank of Amsterdam secured a license in 1960, authorizing purchase of gold ingots for striking 3,605 gold ryders, in conformity with the authentic provisions of 1586, by the Netherlands National Mint at Utrecht.

Billings said the Dutch government has requested a good picture of the coin he has, as one of the few minted 200 years ago still survive.

COIN CLUB COPY —

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response by C. C. Wallace of Nocona. The auction of 100 lots was the largest and best selected group of coins ever to be offered for sale in the area.

Junior exhibit winners were Ronny Clift, first and Perry Stevens, second, both members of the Childress Coin Club.

New officers were installed at the regular meeting of the Childress club on September 28 when the group met at the Childress City Hall.

Marvin Dabbs will serve as president; Arville Coyle, vice-president and will also temporarily fill the position of secretary-treasurer. Directors include Herbert Clift, Mrs. Dabbs, Jimmy Longbine, Howard Marin, and Jack Norman.

Dabbs gave his thanks for the members' vote of confidence by electing him to serve again as their president. He had served as the first club president. Dabbs then read the code of ethics for the club for the benefit of new members and the three visitors present.

Arville Coyle, Sec'y Pro Tem

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